

MINUTES
SELECTMEN'S/ASSESSORS' MEETING
Tuesday, August 6, 2019
William L. Pullen Municipal Building Meeting Room
6:30 p.m.

Selectmen Present: Greg Grotton, John Shepard, Sarah Drickey, Adam Fuller, and Josh White

Others Present: Patrick Groening, Jim Justice, Jesse Thompson, Erik Amundsen, and John Gibbons.

- 1. Call Selectmen's meeting to order: 6:30 p.m.**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Public Comment:**

Erik Amundsen feels that it is difficult to obtain contact information from the town website for the chairmen of several committees. He stated that phone numbers and emails are listed for School Board members. Greg stated that the Select Board information is listed. He also stated that he will make sure it is taken care of. Erik also mentioned a more accessible calendar would be helpful to get the word out about meetings and events. Greg mentioned that there is a calendar in the lobby at the town office, but he will investigate that as well. Sarah mentioned the online calendar is generally kept up to date and that Erik should sign up for the newsletter if he has not already. Greg encourages all town residents to sign up to receive the newsletter. Jim Justice feels that an electronic sign is a valuable tool to inform residents.

Jesse Thompson stated that the town of Kennebunk is selling their fully stocked ambulance. He feels Union needs a backup truck because of higher call volume. He would like to seal a bid for the used rig. Adam asked about storage space for the new rig and how much more would it be, if any, to get it road ready? Jesse stated it has a current inspection sticker, and all that would be needed to make it road ready would be to pay licensing and registration fees. Of course, lettering on the outside of the rig would need to be changed. He also stated that there are several options for storage that he is currently trying to work out. He is more than confident that he can make it work. John asked the year of the ambulance. Jesse stated it's a 2009. Jesse stated that the bids are due by August 28th. Greg is concerned about the long-term planning, and he would like to hear what Jay has to say. If we acquired the new rig, Sarah suggested alternating the usage of both ambulances to extend the life of each one.

Motion by: Greg Grotton to approve ambulance bid based on consultation from Jay

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2nd by: John Shepard
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4. Approve minutes of Tuesday July 16, 2019:

Motion by: Sarah Drickey
2nd by: John Shepard
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5. Sign Treasurer's Warrant dated Tuesday August 2, 2019:

Motion by: John Shepard
2nd by: Sarah Drickey
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6. Removal of Farm Space as Assessors:

Motion by: Adam Fuller
2nd by: John Shepard
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7. Decision to hold August 20 meeting during fair week:

Motion by: John Shepard to suspend the August 20th meeting
2nd by: Sarah Drickey
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8. Town Manager's Report:

Jay is away at a conference, so Patrick Groening, our second-year intern, is filling in. Patrick reviewed what he did this summer. He stated he has completed his project from last summer: mapping every headstone in Union. He also photographed every headstone and added each one to a Google Earth map. At this point, the map is interactive and will eventually be online for all to see. He has also transferred all hard copies to the Crypt Keeper online software, which also eventually will be online.

Patrick has updated the Union Personnel Policy; the attorney is currently reviewing. He has done a town drive-through and has updated road sign conditions by adding them to the road software system.

Patrick has been reviewing all town reports of Union's history and recording former Selectmen. He will be typing past ordinance changes throughout Union's history for the town clerk.

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Much appreciation goes out to Patrick for all his hard work and dedication. Best of luck in his future endeavors.

9. Other Business:

Motion by: Sarah Drickey to sign the appointment to accept Marcy Corwin to Aging in Place.

2nd by: Adam Fuller

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10. Selectmen's Report:

John stated that there was a recent Tri-County meeting. Re-election of officers took place and he is once again President. He added there was a discussion about 13-gallon bags and the subject is being addressed. It is too early to have a definitive outcome.

Greg stated Maria Pease is resigning from the Union Planning Board. She will be done November 5th. He stated that she has done a phenomenal job and will be missed.

11. Future Agenda Items:

12. Adjourn:

Motion by: Sarah Drickey

2nd by: John Shepard

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Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Patrick
Secretary